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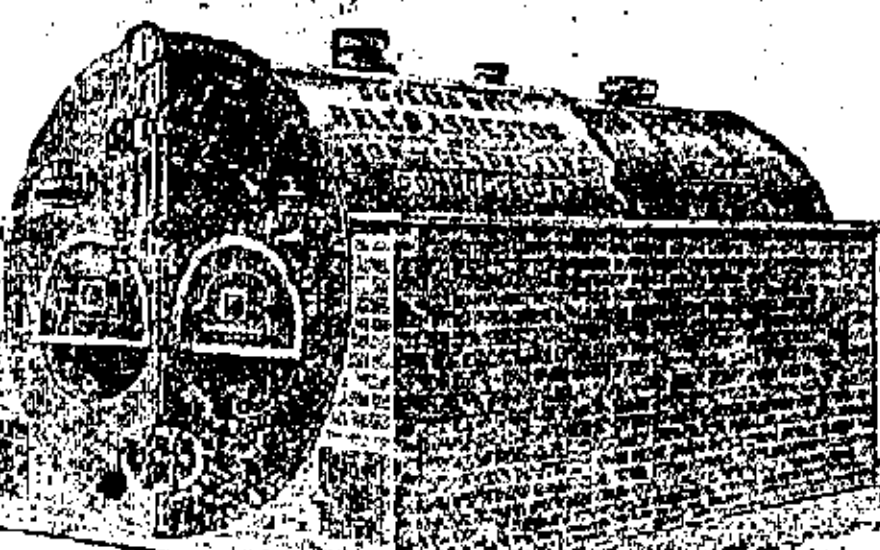
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AGENTS, on THURSDAY, the 23rd  
March, at noon, for the purpose of  
receiving the Report and Statement of  
Accounts for the year ending 31st December,  
1904.  
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-  
pany will be CLOSED from 10th to 23rd  
March, both days inclusive.  
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,  
General Agents.  
Hongkong, March 4, 1905.

**LUZON SUGAR REFINING CO., LTD.**  
NOTICE.  
THE TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY  
ANNUAL MEETING of the SHARE-  
HOLDERS of the Company will be held at the OFFICES of the GENERAL AGENTS,  
PEDDAR STREET, on THURSDAY,  
the 23rd March, at 12.30 p.m., for the  
purpose of receiving the Report and  
Statement of Accounts to 31st December,  
1904.  
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-  
pany will be CLOSED from 10th to 23rd  
March, 1905, both days inclusive.  
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,  
General Agents.  
Hongkong, March 4, 1905.

**THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAM-  
SHIP CO., LTD.**  
THE TWENTY-SECOND ORDINARY  
GENERAL MEETING of SHARE-  
HOLDERS in the above COMPANY will  
be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, 87  
CONNAUGHT ROAD, VICTORIA, on SATURDAY,  
the 25th March, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of  
receiving a Statement of Accounts and the  
Report of the General Managers for the  
year ending 31st December, 1904.  
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-  
pany will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY,  
the 22nd March, to SATURDAY, the 25th  
March, both days inclusive.  
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, March 10, 1905.

**GEO. FENWICK AND COMPANY,**  
LIMITED.  
NOTICE is hereby given that an  
EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL  
MEETING of the Company will be held at the  
HONGKONG HOTEL, VICTORIA,  
Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 31st March,  
at 10 a.m., for the purpose of receiving  
the Report and Statement of Accounts for  
the year ending 31st December, 1904.  
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-  
pany will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY,  
the 22nd March, to FRIDAY, the 25th  
March, both days inclusive.  
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, March 10, 1905.

That Article X of the Company's Articles  
of Association and its marginal notes  
be, and the same are, hereby cancelled, and  
that there be substituted therefor the  
following Article and marginal notes  
namely:  
X The Company in General  
Meeting may from time to  
time increase the capital of the  
Company by the creation of new shares  
of such amount as may be  
deemed expedient.  
2 The new shares shall  
be issued upon such terms  
and conditions and with  
such rights and privileges as  
may be determined by the  
Directors, and no direction be  
given as to the Directors shall  
determine.  
Subject to any direc-  
tion to the contrary that may  
be given by the Meeting  
that sanctions the increase  
of capital all new shares  
shall be offered to the parties  
who are entitled to be named  
by the Meeting shall be  
members in proportion to  
the existing shares held by  
them and such offer shall be  
made by notice specifying  
the number of shares to  
which the Member is entitled  
and limiting a time within  
which the offer if not ac-  
cepted will be deemed to be  
declined, and after the ex-  
piration of such time or on  
the receipt of an intimation  
from the Member to whom  
such notice is given that he  
declines to accept the shares  
offered, the Directors may  
dispose of the same in such  
manner as they think most  
beneficial to the Company.  
Except so far as is  
otherwise provided by the  
conditions of issue or by  
this presents any capital  
raised by the creation of  
new shares shall be con-  
sidered part of the original  
ordinary capital and shall be  
subject to the provisions  
herein contained with re-  
ference to the payment of  
calls and instalments, trans-  
fer, and transmission, for-  
feiture, lien and otherwise.  
By Order of the Board of Directors,  
W. G. WINTERBURN,  
General Manager.  
Hongkong, 14th March, 1905.

**THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-  
MENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.**  
Hongkong, March 7, 1905.

**TO LET.**  
TWO FIRST-CLASS SHOPS, Euro-  
pean Style, in Kowloon. Possession  
on or about 31st August, 1905.  
MODERATE RENTALS.  
Apply to  
HUMPHREYS' ESTATE & FINANCE  
CO., LTD.  
Hongkong, February 29, 1905.

**TO LET.**  
EXCELLENT FLAT in Kowloon, taste-  
fully furnished, and commands good  
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Hongkong, March 15, 1905.

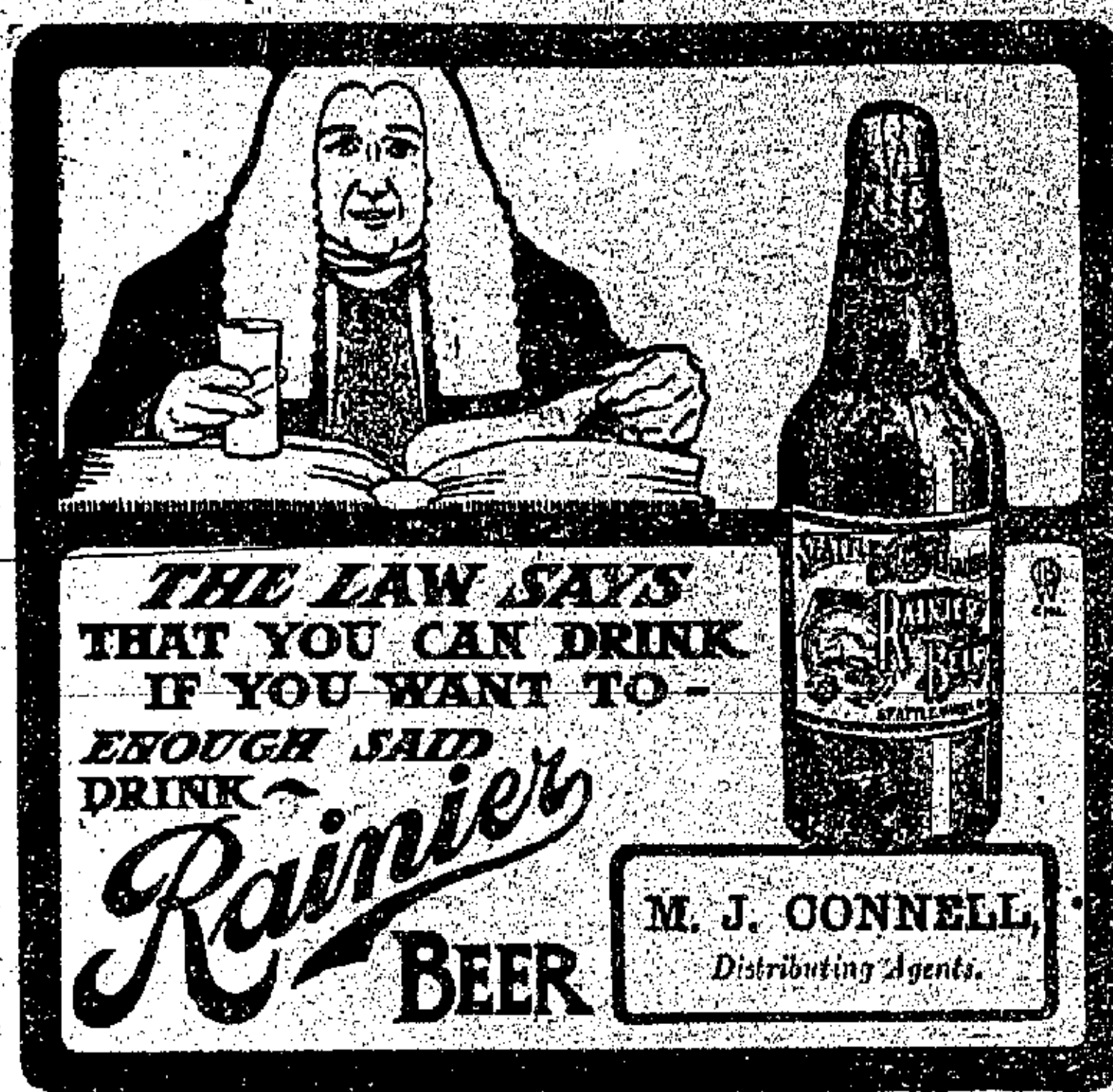
**SUITABLE FOR OFFICES.**  
ROOMS IN PRINCES BUILDINGS.  
Apply to  
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Hongkong, March 3, 1905.

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DETACHED HOUSE in Robinson Road,  
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**TO LET.**  
FURNISHED, from March next, Six-  
Roomed Bungalow with Tennis Lawn  
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YALTA, Mount Kellett, Peak.  
Apply, HARRY WICKING & CO.,  
St. George's Building.  
Hongkong, January 28, 1905.

**TO LET.**  
HOUSE in CLIFTON GARDENS,  
Conduit Road, from 1st July, 1905.  
Apply THE MEDICAL HALL.  
Hongkong, March 14, 1905.

## Intimations.



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TWO SQUARE ROOMS in the Con-  
naught House Hotel, suitable for  
Offices.  
Also One STALL on the Ground Floor.  
Apply  
IN PERSON AT HOTEL OFFICE.  
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**TO LET.**  
ONE Large Comfortable FURNISHED  
ROOM, at Kowloon, suitable for one  
or two Gentlemen. Good locality and  
convenient to Ferry. Terms.  
Apply to  
"B. V."  
Care of "CHINA MAIL" Office.  
Hongkong, March 20, 1905.

**TO LET.**  
HOUSE (next to No. 13) MACDON-  
NELL ROAD, Possession on or  
about Middle of April.  
Apply to  
COMPTON & DEPT.  
International Bldg. Corp.  
Hongkong, March 20, 1905.

**TO LET.**  
NO. 1, BARROW TERRACE ROW-  
LOCK.  
Apply to  
SAM WANG & CO., LTD.,  
81, Queen's Road Central.  
Hongkong, December 2, 1904.

**TO LET.**  
A BUILDING at CAUSEWAY BAY, at  
present in occupation of the Steam  
Laundry Co., Ltd.  
No. 1, BARROW TERRACE.  
A HOUSE in WONG NUI CHONG ROAD,  
FLATS in MONTEBELL TERRACE, facing the  
Polo Ground.  
OFFICES, in Course of Erection, Con-  
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## HAD DOLLARS.

The dollar that had led us for days  
Safe in a pocket that a tortoise  
When we were not a whit if it goes or stays  
Since the dollar is quite outgrown.  
The dollar that had in security lies  
When its owner no longer is able to rise,  
When he knows 'tis a hope foredoomed.  
The dollar that's good is hard to keep  
Guarded with watchful eyes.  
Through the tiniest crack it will subtly  
creep  
And vanish into the air.  
The dollar that's good is a mischievous elf,  
Forever successful in hiding itself.  
While we hunt for it everywhere,  
The dollar that's bad on the road may fall  
In mud or in softening sands.  
With a third our attention 'tis sure to call  
And there in the light it stands.  
The dollar that's bad in our pocket remains  
While its worthless fellows in spite of our  
pains  
Are lost from our close-clashed hands.  
The dollar that's good, of silver bright,  
May drop on the firm-set stone  
It falls with the sound of a feather light  
And lo! that dollar has flown.  
The dollar that's good we endeavour to  
keep.  
Yet we find in our pocket are going to sleep  
The dollar that's bad alone.  
This is the law that with life is learned.  
Obedient as we may.  
That pleasures are swiftly to ashes turned,  
While the cares and the evils stay.  
For things that are good are easily missed!  
While those that are bad to the end persist  
In the same old contrary way.

## MISSING VESSEL.

**Feared Loss of \$70,000 Worth of  
Furs.**

Nothing has been heard of the Hudson  
Bay Company's sloop "Stork" since she left  
Charlton Island (Hudson Bay) for London  
on September 19 last, and grave fears for  
her safety are now entertained.  
She is a barque of 526 tons, carrying a  
very valuable cargo, consisting of over  
270,000 worth of furs, this being practical-  
ly the whole year's collection from the  
company's settlements and fur stations in  
the Hudson Bay.

There is also a crew of some 20 hands, as  
well as several passengers.  
Underwriters in Lloyd's take a gloomy  
view of her case—60 guineas per cent being  
paid during last month to reimburse her  
stock.

The "Stork" is the largest vessel owned  
by the Hudson Bay Company, who have  
always had a host of this kind to make  
the annual expedition for their produce.  
Singularly enough, the "Stork" was  
bought to take the place of the "Lady  
Head," which was wrecked under peculiar  
circumstances on a similar voyage some  
time ago, on which occasion £40,000 worth  
of furs was lost.

The "Lady Head"—homeward bound  
from James Bay—ran on Gasket Shoal two  
days after leaving, and for more than a week  
the captain and crew remained by her en-  
deavouring to get her off the reef. Then,  
when she began to go to pieces, they took  
to the boats, and after three days' perilous  
journey in a temperature which was the  
greater part of the time below zero, they  
arrived at Moose Factory, one of the most  
important stations of the Hudson Bay  
Company.

It is impossible to get another vessel out  
to the bay in the depth of winter. Captain  
J. G. Ford, of the "Lady Head," decided to  
attempt the overland route, and strike for  
one of the stations on the Canadian Pacific  
Railway. Preparing to start, he travelled  
over 300 miles up the Saginaw River, the  
journey taking him just over three weeks to  
accomplish.

The weather was terribly cold the whole  
time, and Captain Ford encountered many  
hardships. Finally the captain reached  
the railway, and from there, with the  
owners' news of the loss of their vessel.  
For the previous 12 years he had success-  
fully made this voyage, so that when the  
company bought the "Stork" Captain Ford  
was at once given the new command, and  
he took the vessel out to the bay last  
spring.

In the event of her being lost, it will  
certainly be a most singular coincidence,  
and a most unfortunate one, too, for there  
is certain to be a heavy rise in the cost of  
furs.

Navigation of the Hudson Bay is danger-  
ous, the region not having been properly  
surveyed.

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By the VICHY, PARIS-FRANCE.  
Hongkong, May 20, 1904.



Villalobos	U. S. gunboat	137	8	1934	Commander A. W. Dodd	San Francisco
Wilmington	U. S. gunboat	1397	50	1934	Captain Clover	Manila
Wisconsin	U. S. flagship	12,030				Manila

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There is also a Philippines U.S. Squadron.

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FOR AN UNHEALTHY COMPLEXION. Take a tumbler full before rising and retiring.

\$ 9 00 a case of 48 Quarts.  
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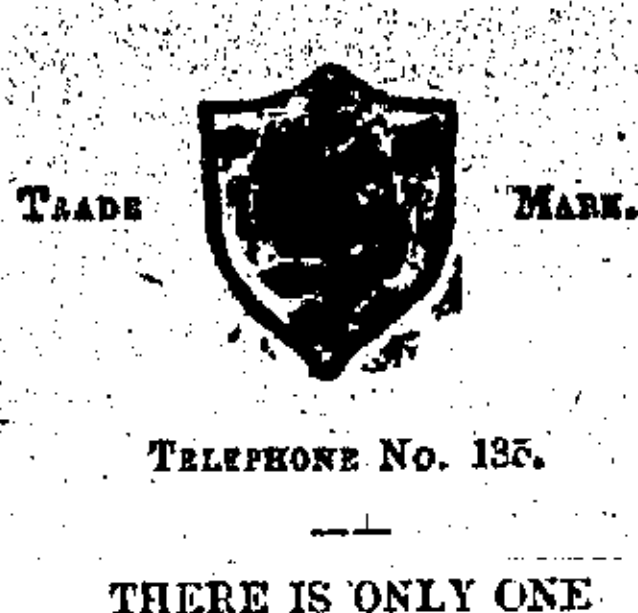
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# MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

**Auctions.**  
11 a.m.—Auction of Merchandise, at Hop Yick's Godown, West Point.  
2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, at No. 13, Knutsford Terrace, Kowloon.

# Amusements.

9 p.m.—Performance at City Hall.  
**Miscellaneous.**  
9.30 a.m.—Military Gun Practice. Transfer Books of China & Manila Steamship Co., Ltd., closed from this date to 25th March inclusive.  
Transfer Books of Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd., closed from this date to 28th March inclusive.  
Goods per Kowloon undelivered after Noon on this date will be landed.

# General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, March 23.—  
Noon—Meeting of China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., at the General Agents' Offices.  
12.30 p.m.—Meeting of Laxon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., at General Agents' Offices.  
2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, at No. 6, East Avenue, Kowloon.  
Goods per Ceylon not cleared at 4 p.m. on this date subject to rent.  
FRIDAY, March 24.—  
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Japanese Water Colours, &c., at Mr. Geo. Lammert's Sales Rooms.  
9 p.m.—Concert in City Hall.  
Transfer Books of Watkins, Ltd., closed from this date to 31st March inclusive.  
Goods per Japan undelivered after this date subject to rent.



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# The China Mail.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, MARCH 21, 1905.

# SOCIETY AND THE NATION'S DECLINE.

THE cutting repartee of the Duchess of Dantzic when in verbal conflict with the supercilious ladies of the Court of Napoleon, and her caustic criticisms of their follies was applauded to the echo last night by the audience at the City Hall. Madame Thérèse Sans-Gêne spoke straight from the shoulder with the courage and the scorn of fine airs begot by companionship with the wastrel, and when the audience cheered her on they did so because in their hearts they felt that matters were to-day very much the same in the higher circles at home as they were in France in the days when the Duchess of Dantzic placed Napoleon's washing bill in her list of bad debts. The decadence of Society women at home has been the theme of many writers in newspapers and magazines, but despite the warning issued time and again, despite the constant pointing at the writing on the wall, Society still gaily whirled on its downward course oblivious of all things but the intoxicating pleasures of the moment. The last journal to enter the lists against the growing microbe of profligacy which is steadily producing amongst our womenkind a disinclination to motherhood, an easy virtue, levity of conduct, intemperance, and the crowding of the Divorce Court, is the *World*. It lashes out strongly against the growing tendency of Society women to give way with utter abandon to the self-indulgence and luxury that prosperity has brought in its train, to the insatiable appetite for pleasure and excitement, and to the inevitable recourse to alcoholic and drug stimulants and narcotics. The decadence of the British race has been discussed ad libitum until it is threadbare, but though statistics have proved that the moral fibre of the nation is not as it should be no effort has been made apparently to check the advance which is rapidly being made to the abyss of degeneration and extinction which yawns—as it yawned for Rome—to receive us, and to this fact is to be attributed much of the depravity that exists to-day. To the *World*—and it seems to us it is right to a great extent—the history of present-day England presents a parallel to the history of past nations, as glorious in their era as ours has been, and what is to be deduced is that unless the wives and mothers who form our Society can be induced to reform forthwith there is no staying the tide that is sweeping away all that we had to be proud of as the foremost nation of the world. A generation or so back intemperance was confined chiefly to the lower classes, but to-day it is rampant from the highest to the lowest, and the most appalling fact that we have to face is the number of women amongst the inebriate ranks. To the working-class much may be forgiven, but for those whose lives are free from anxiety and doubt, whose days and nights are spent in a whirl of pleasure and excitement, very little can be said. What is the *World* asks, the daily life-history of a woman in society? Too jaded by selfish indulgences, after a night of morbid sleep born of some favourite drug, she rises to face a day's racing with its concomitant betting. Her breakfast inadequate, probably supplemented by brandy or whisky and soda, luncheon indigestible, savoury but unhealthy *bonnes boucles*, liberal portions of champagne, or more likely recourse to familiar brandy or whisky peg; a rash home, further pandering to a morbid appetite, more champagne, later perhaps a dance, or many hours devoted to inevitable bridge—a game equal, at any rate in its intrinsic interest, to the old-fashioned whist, but prostituted by

the facility with which it provides added excitement in the form of gambling; again brandy or whisky and soda, then bed, with sulphonal, trional, morphia, or some equally noxious drug. What wonder that there is no time, no disposition for domestic duties, no care for the family life that erst was the backbone of England? The incessant round of excitement and indulgence saps the physical condition, the exhaustion resulting demands the temporary relief afforded by stimulants and narcotics, which in their turn sap the mental powers. Physical and moral degeneration is the inevitable result of both agents. Disease may kill the body. Drink first kills the soul. It is well for future generations if death anticipated the wreck of the moral and intellectual faculties, a condition unhappily certain to obtain in those devoted to the drug and alcohol habit. And what is the cure for all this? The *World* thinks legislation, and denounces religious revivals now moving all England as dangerous movements, hysterical, and lunacy-nurturing, doubtless adding considerably to the incomes of the promoters, at the cost of thousands of cases hurried towards the lunatic asylum. In this remarkable statement we join issue with our esteemed contemporary, believing that as, as Ovid says, *nilis amor medicabilis herbis*, neither can drinking and dissipation be cured by legislation. Whatever reform takes place in England to-day must come spontaneously from the heart of the people. Sobriety—which the *World* declares to be better than godliness and righteousness—will never be enforced by threats of punishment by the grim arm of the law, and if that desirable quality is to become universal stern measures will have to give way to sympathetic processes. From what we read we gather that the religious revivals aim equally at sobering up the nation and providing it with healthy religious beliefs. In fact righteousness could not easily exist in company with intemperance, and the result of the Welsh revivals clearly demonstrates that those who have been influenced, now scorn the drinking halls where most of their spare time and money were hitherto spent. And whilst this indicates that the sober life is not forgotten—as the *World* alleges—there is nothing to show that hundreds of cases have been hurried to the lunatic asylum by the revival. Religious-social revivals will we feel, do more to stop the depravity fast warping our higher family life than all the legislation and homes for inebriates that could be devised, and if the Government encouraged them instead of over-legislating as much as it is prone to do, there would be better results and a brighter outlook for the nation.

Some friends were discussing their friends—now married. 'Sleek and pretty as she is, she has a will of her own,' said one of the ladies. 'I know her.' 'And I know her husband,' chimed in the man of the party. 'If she has a will more unbreakable than his they ought to put the two together and sell them as a new material for making indestructible household furniture. Two wills in one establishment,' he went on, 'generally means in the long run an appeal to the law courts—either in equity or divorce. I have eaten of the tree of knowledge, which is sometimes called practical experience, and I know.' 'Yes,' said the housewife of the party, 'it all comes of the passion for eating uncooked fruit. If Eve had not been so fond of apples—raw apples—what a lot of trouble in dressmakers' bills we might have escaped.'

Among the visitors to the "Oriaba" after the wreck near Freemantle (W.A.) recently was a gentleman who hit upon the happy idea of supplying his friends on the mainland with the latest news by means of carrier pigeons. In a carefully guarded basket he brought on-board six birds, and, as he wrote his first message, and commenced to attach it to the leg of a bird, he was surrounded with an interested and somewhat admiring crowd. He threw the feathered messenger into the air and prepared to watch it take its flight for the dim land beyond. Instead of doing this, however, the pigeon quietly selected a comfortable spot on a convenient yardarm, and commenced to remove the offending message from its leg. The admiring crowd quickly turned to a jesting one, and amid gratuitous advice and plenty of laughter, the enterprising visitor selected a second bird. The laughter increased tenfold when this was released, for after raising momentarily the hopes of its owner by flying once round the steamer, it settled down beside the first bird. A third and a fourth pigeon were released, but absolutely refused to move away from the steamer, and the disconsolate gentleman was left to wonder at the "uselessness" of things, and to admire the beauty of his birds from a distance.

The death on February 1 of General Lev Wallace the author of "Ben Hur," and one time U.S. Minister in Turkey, and a veteran of the Mexican and Civil Wars, recalls how unlikely a speculation was the dramatized version of the General's book. "Ben Hur" was—owing to the mechanism necessary to produce the chariot race, and the other costly scenery—one of the most expensive plays on record to stage, but apart from that it luck seemed to dog the steps of those who first produced it. Scarcely had it been got going in New York when the theatre was burnt to ashes, and a similar fate befell it in Sydney, where an immense sum of money had been expended to present the play. A strange coincidence in connection with the latter fire was that it broke out on Palm Sunday, which day was depicted in the last scene of the play. If our memory serves us rightly the production of the piece in England was also marked by some type of disaster.

An old adage has it that 'the occasion finds the man'—and, it should be added, the woman, too. Superior man has more supreme contempt for woman's usefulness in case of vital emergency when demand is made for alertness, activity, and presence of mind, but many incidents have shown us that women, when put into a corner by some disaster which means life or death, are capable of performing deeds as brave and meritorious as any that the sterner sex could do under similar circumstances. Many anecdotes to demonstrate that fact are on record, but the latest comes from Victoria, a portion of which State was recently swept by terrible bush fires. At an up-country town named Riddell a large farm homestead—the men of which were away helping their neighbours to fight the fire—was suddenly threatened with destruction. The men were unable to get back to protect their own property. Several young ladies were in the house, and they neither faintly nor screamed, as women are supposed to do in such circumstances. Realizing the danger of the fire in the kitchen, they changed their own clothes for the clothes of the men of the household, and then went out and fought the fire so successfully that the flames were divided and the house and haystacks saved. It is such girls as these who make the Colonies, in power of Great Britain what it is, and were the demands of modern "Society" defied instead of yielded to we would have in England a sturdier type of women here and at home than appear to be growing up.

# LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

General Hutton goes to Shanghai on March 29 to inspect the Shanghai Volunteer. We understand Colonel Weston, Royal West Kents, will be in command during his absence.

A fire occurred at an early hour this morning at a brass founder's shop in Wing Lok Street. The Brigade was called out and after a couple of hours work got the flames under control. The upper floors were damaged by fire and water, but the bottom floor, where the stock was kept, suffered very little. The place was insured for \$15,000.

In referring to the death of Sir Robert Jardine, the *Standard* says:—Sir Robert was one of the largest landed proprietors in the south of Scotland. He was also well known in sporting circles, winning the Derby in 1869 with Pretender, which ran in the name of his uncle. In 1873 he won the Waterloo Cup with Maribel. He was created a baronet in 1885, and succeeded by his son Mr. Robert William Buchanan Jardine.

# The Rainfall.

The rainfall during the last few days has benefited the Colony's water supply to an appreciable extent, and although not sufficient to warrant the authorities in turning on the full daily supply in the public mains, will ensure the present supply being maintained without difficulty. Since the 14th instant 4.47 inches of rain have been registered at the Kowloon Observatory, 1.70 inches falling between 10 a.m. on the 18th and 10 a.m. this morning and 1.18 inches in the previous 24 hours. All the streams running into the different reservoirs have increased in volume very considerably but how much additional water has been stored has not yet been computed.

In order to provide work for the operatives, Lord Pembroke has purchased a carpet factory at Wilton (Baz), which had recently been closed through lack trade.

A Scottish scientist attempts to prove from scientific phenomena—the gravitation of electrical, and chert is identical with terrestrial and solar magnetism.

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Miss Singer.—I wonder if that rich uncle I mentioned to you when he made his will I used to sing to him? 'Cynical Friend.' He must have 'heaven' left you anything.

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# THE LAST OF THE PIRATES.

## Dying Words of Wisdom.

(From Our Correspondent.)

Before Lam Kwai Si was beheaded with wine, prior to his execution, he is reported to have conducted himself, in prison, with great decorum, and, at the same time, to have delivered his soul with considerable effect.

The gaoler, like one of ancient fane, being responsible for the famous robber, determined to keep him safely, and so loaded him with two sets of iron manacles of one.

But Lam's equanimity was unflinching, and, smilingly, he said to the prison officials: 'This is barbarous cruelty; one set would be sufficient. I know that I shall never escape. If, however, I am not hanged, I shall have been compelled to be a robber. China's sons know how to crush their own race, but don't know how to meet a foreign foe.'

This straightforward satire will be read throughout Canton this morning, and the partial truth will be set before the officials, which they will not like.

# LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

## Adulterated Milk.

A Chinese dairymaid named Tin Shing was prosecuted, at the Magistrate's, this afternoon, by Inspector J. Reidie for selling adulterated milk. The defendant pleaded not guilty and was represented by Mr. F. K. d'Almeida a Castro. Inspector Reidie deposed to having visited the defendant's registered dairy at Nos. 20 and 22 Gochran Street and obtained a sample of milk. The sample was divided into three bottles one of which was retained by the defendant and a second sent to Mr. Brown, Government Analyst. Subsequently a certificate was returned which showed the milk to have been adulterated by the addition of ten per cent. of water. Witness visited the place under written instructions from the Medical Officer of Health. Defendant denied that the milk had been adulterated, that he sold it as it came from the cows. He had been keeping a dairy for 40 years and had never previously been prosecuted. Mr. Hazeland said he did not think the case was one calling for a large penalty and imposed a fine of \$10.

# THE 'IPHIGENIA' and the Pirates.

Some days ago we published a paragraph stating that the "Iphigenia" had sailed for the Bombay Shoal, where the steamer "Shrewsbury" is wrecked, for the purpose of rescuing booty from the pirates who have been stripping the ship. The "Iphigenia" certainly went to the wreck but what for seems to be a mystery. When she got there she had a splendid opportunity to capture some of the pirates, or at least relieve them of quantities of booty which they had collected, but she took no steps in that direction, even though signalled by the Captain of the "Progress" with the request to do so. One junk full of booty was lying not far off the "Shrewsbury" but the cruiser did not interfere with it. She subsequently steamed back to Hongkong, doing nothing to give the salvage party any assistance in keeping off the borders of pirates hanging about the vicinity in junks. Whether the "Iphigenia" was justified in not taking action we cannot say, but it seems strange on the face of it that she did give the protection that was expected of her.

Mr. James Riches, the Consul-General for Siam in London, died at his residence at Belham on February 10 in his 60th year. Mr. Riches had been sailing for some time past, the cause of his death being cancer.

# Death of a Shanghai Resident.

The death of Mr. G. J. Morrison, M.L.C.E., late of Shanghai, took place in London on February 11, in the sixty-fifth year of his age. He went to China in the seventies, and was the Engineer and the pioneer railway in China, the little line that Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co. had between Shanghai and Woosung, which, after running for a year, was ruthlessly torn up and transported to Formosa, to rot and rust largely on the seashore at Taiwan. After his association ceased with the line Mr. Morrison settled in Shanghai, whence he only retired a year or two ago. He identified himself largely with the place, and was an active volunteer.

Some of the German health insurance companies have found it a paying investment to establish sanatoria for the care of their consumptive policy holders.

The diameter of the earth has lately been accurately ascertained after 25 years' labor, at a cost of £100,000. It is 7926 miles at the Equator, and 7899 from Pole to Pole.

**STEARNS' WINE** prominently the ideal tonic for the whole system is left in a state of depression.

It was estimated that the total gifts and bequests to American charities and religious and educational institutions during 1904 amounted to the sum of £17,600,000.

**RELIEF AFTER SIX YEARS.**—Mrs. M. A. Clark, of Timberrange, N. S. W., Australia, writes: 'I wish to inform you of the wonderful benefit I have received from your valuable medicine. I suffered from a severe cough for six years and obtained no relief until I took Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. One bottle cured me and I am thankful to say that I have never had the cough since. Make any use of this letter: that you like for the good of my fellow sufferers. For sale by All Dealers. Varnum & Co., Ltd., General Agents.

# BY TELEGRAPH.

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(RECEIVED AT HONGKONG BY TELEGRAPH.)  
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# THE RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR.

## FACILITATING COMMUNICATION.

## Repairing the Hun River Bridge.

LONDON, March 20.  
Reuter's correspondent with General Kuroki, writing on March 19, stated that the repairs to the bridge across the Hunho were almost completed. The Japanese were busy repairing all injuries to the railway line, and trains were expected to run to Mukden and beyond within a week.

## THE RUSSIAN PRESS.

## Advocates Continuing the War.

LONDON, March 19.  
The St. Petersburg press is changing its tone, and is now demanding the prosecution of the war.

It praises Kuropatkin's energy and determination in the face of overwhelming difficulties, and approves the appointment of General Lisievitch to the chief command.

## THE RUSSIAN LOAN.

Reuter's St. Petersburg correspondent wires that negotiations with the bankers (Russians) for a five per centum internal loan of two hundred million roubles are virtually concluded.

## THE CAIR'S RESOLUTION.

OSAKA, March 18.  
A London telegram received here to-day says that the Council of War held at the Russian palace has arrived at the resolution to continue the war to the bitter end.

The Czar at the same time denounced the negligence of the officials who were unable to prevent the internal disturbances in Russia, and declared that General Trepoff is the only man upon whom he can depend. He added that he would order General Kuropatkin to tear up against all difficulties, and await the reinforcements of three hundred thousand men who are to be sent to the East.

## Possible Stand at Kailuan.

TOKYO, March 18.  
There are indications that the Russian wounded are being constantly transported north of Tieling. The exhausted Russians are retreating to Kailuan, twenty-five miles north of Tieling, apparently intending to make a stand there.

General Kuropatkin reports that an examination of prisoners showed that General Nogai was with the Japanese force which occupied Mukden.

## Dropping the Attachés.

TOKYO, March 15.  
The Japanese have picked up Captain Ayres, R.N., the American military surgeon, and Captain Janson, who were attached to the Russian army. They are being sent to Kobe to-day from Liaoyang.

## General Negi.

Writing to General Terachi, Minister of War, shortly after the capitulation of Port Arthur, General Negi said that he had been steadily preparing for the northward trip and was looking forward to tasting the pleasures of field operations. He is now actually doing as he wished. The General not only abstains from taking any credit for his victory, but also apologizes for the length of time occupied in mastering the fortress and for the number of lives sacrificed. The correspondent of the *North China Daily News* learns from a Japanese correspondent at the front that in a confidential conversation General Negi said that he did not feel compensated for the loss of so many lives by his sacrifice merely of his two sons; he did wish to return alive, but it was his intention to go home in the form of ashes after a brilliant battle.

## U. S. MINISTER TO KOREA.

LOSAN, March 18.  
Mr. Edwin Morgan has been appointed United States Minister to Korea.

## RUSSIA'S INTERNAL TROUBLES.

The secret police of Moscow have discovered a revolutionary organization, and have seized a store containing infernal machines, explosives, and correspondence relating to the plot to assassinate the late Grand Duke Sergei.

The Glen, the mansion of Sir Charles Tennant, at Inverleith, Peeblesshire, Scotland, has been destroyed by fire. The fire was caused by the fusing of an electric wire.

Sir William Willocks (the eminent authority on irrigation and water conservation) and author of "Reclamation of Ancient Irrigation Works on the Tigris" proposes irrigation works on the Euphrates and Tigris. Austin Turkey, at a cost for the first 15 sections of £2,000,000.

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## MANSLAUGHTER.

## Quarrel on a Sailing Ship.

Donatello Hernandez, a Spanish seaman from the sailing ship "King George," was placed in the dock at the Criminal Sessions at the Supreme Court to-day on a charge of manslaughter.

The Chief Justice, Sir Henry Berkeley, was on the Bench.

The Attorney General, Hon. Mr. E. H. Sharp, K.C., prosecuted on behalf of the Crown, while accused was unrepresented.

When the charge was read over to the prisoner, he replied, in a low tone, "I say I no kill him." The following jurors were then sworn—Messrs C. M. G. Burnie, J. D. Kinnaird, D. E. Clark, W. F. Muir, C. G. Breuckner, J. Fisher and T. M. Collings.

The Attorney General, in opening, said—The prisoner, who is a sailor, is charged with the manslaughter of Theodore Olsen, a fellow sailor, on board the sailing ship "King George," which is lying in the harbour. The facts are very simple and no doubt are already to a considerable extent within the recollection of most of you. On March 14 last week, at 6 o'clock in the evening, the prisoner, Olsen, and four other sailors were in the fore-cabin having their supper and a conversation took place between the prisoner and Olsen with regard to the circumstances which had happened that afternoon, which in itself has no connection with the case, but the conversation led to the fatal quarrel, the details of which you will learn from the witnesses.

The occurrences referred to appear to have been that the prisoner, Olsen, ordered by the third mate to do some work in the rigging, but he failed to do it, very likely through no fault of his own. In recounting the matter afterwards it appears that the prisoner boasted that he used very violent language to the third mate when the latter reproved him. Olsen seems to have denied that the prisoner used the language and appears to have called the prisoner a liar. The prisoner's reply was that Olsen was a liar, inasmuch as he knew nothing about it, not being present at the time.

A serious quarrel followed, during the course of which both men and the prisoner landed blows on the other. The prisoner then struck the prisoner and a struggle took place. The prisoner rolled over with Olsen on top of him and during the struggle he drew his sheath knife and drove it into Olsen's chest. The wound was a very serious one and even had a doctor been present Olsen's life could not have been saved. After being stabbed Olsen rose from the floor and ran out of the fore-cabin to the Captain's cabin, and the prisoner ran out on the other side of the ship.

One of the sailors asked the prisoner, "Why did you use the knife?" Thereupon the prisoner threw the knife overboard. The prisoner was put in irons, the police sent for, and the prisoner handed over to them. When charged Hernandez made a statement which amounted to a confession of guilt and supported the story put forward by the witnesses for the Crown.

Evidence detailing the quarrel between the two men and the subsequent killing of Olsen was given. The evidence showed that filthy language was common in the fore-cabin, in fact it was unprovoked, and it was also shown that Olsen and Hernandez were always disagreeing.

The prisoner repeated his former statement and when asked had any witnesses he replied—"No; my witnesses are the same ones that have been called by the Crown."

The Chief Justice, in summing up, pointed out to the jury that on the evidence before them and the statement put in by the accused they should return a verdict of guilty. Prosecution was not in a position to take life; it might, however, produce the crime of murder to one of manslaughter. Where extreme provocation has been received the sentence might be practically nil.

A verdict of guilty was returned. The Chief Justice, in passing sentence, said that from the evidence it was clear that he had been bullying the prisoner on the occasion of the fatal quarrel. He had, therefore, in one sense brought his death upon himself by his conduct. He was, however, a man of a bad character, and he was, therefore, sentenced to death.

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## GOSSIP FROM SHANGHAI.

## [BY THE ROYALTY.]

Shanghai, March 16. The Shanghai A.D.C. have stored a remarkable success in their production of "Monsieur Descaire," and personally I have never seen amateurs so slightly divided from professionals. Because it was such a difficult task, every member taking part—probably between forty-five or fifty—had thrown themselves heart and soul into the endeavour. In the first place no expense was spared on the costly dresses belonging to 1735, and for a very long while past the most careful rehearsals have taken place. Anticipation ran high and all Shanghai was anxious to see how far the A.D.C. would fail in the attempt, because it seemed too much to expect that they could stage a play which needed such expert acting and an unusually beautiful setting.

Last Monday morning at 3 a.m. found those desirous of obtaining seats outside the theatre, where tickets could be obtained, and a gentleman who turned up at 5 a.m. found he had no choice of position in the Lyceum and departed thankful with what seats he could get. It is fortunate that in this interest because it is estimated that five performances are necessary before the money expended will be regained. The plot, as everyone knows, sparkles with exciting incidents, depicting the adventures of the Duke of Orleans who has escaped from the prison where he was thrown on his refusal to marry a French Princess, and makes his way under the guise of a barber to Bath. Here he falls in love with Mary Carle, the toast of the Pump Room, and thus incurs the enmity of the Duke of Winterset, who, glorying in the discovery that he is a barber, has him publicly expelled from the Pump Room before the disdainful eyes of his sweetheart. Then comes the stirring card scene, where the Duke himself sneaks down to Beauchamp's rooms to indulge his passion for gambling, and the moment of tension was great as Beauchamp detects him cheating, and turning round the Duke finds the four stalwart soldiers of his host in guard. To escape publication of his infamy he consents to the Duke of Orleans, and subsequently treacherously betrays him to the gentlemen attending the ball, where Beauchamp, as the Duke of Chateauroux, makes his re-appearance. This results in an attack on Beauchamp, in which he wounds four of his opponents, but the cowardly Duke of Winterset, creeping up, stabs him in the back; he would have been killed but for the timely arrival of his faithful servant. Half fainting from loss of blood he is called upon to declare whether he is the same as Beauchamp and the barber, and to this he answers yes, his strength not permitting him to recount his full history, and once more, Lady Mary turns away in disdain. But in the end her love conquers pride and she is repaid by the arrival of the French Ambassador who introduces the daring barber as the Duke of Orleans. Even for professionals it is difficult to catch the right spirit of light-hearted gaiety and gaiety which pervades the play, and the more solidly qualities of the runaway Prince, and even the raptures of an impassioned French lover were not exaggerated.

Mr. Bevan may be congratulated on his work. "Mr. Philpott" deserves a good place for his representation of Major Norman, the faithful guardian of Beauchamp. Under these stage names Shanghai folk were easily able to recognise friends before they appeared on the boards, but as it is their wish to remain inconspicuous as far as newspaper notice is concerned, the wish must be respected.

The annual concert of the Rowing Club has been held once again preparatory to the opening of the Rowing Season, and this one entertainment casts an unpleasant shadow over an association which is always connected with the idea of healthy sport and an absence of intemperance. Fortunately, there is no bar as yet on the premises of the Club and so it has happened that it has gained an enviable reputation throughout the Settlement, but at the concert a very different state of affairs is the order of the day. Spirits are paraded of all, and it is not agreeable to have a man upon a glass of whisky over your shirt front and not be sufficiently sober to offer even a pretence of apology. The concert itself is a name only reference to time or time. There is another thing too which requires attention. There are so many races and so many classes that the prizes are so numerous it is impossible to present many tokens worth the having, and it seems a pity that some of the prizes could not be devised of something not nearly so many but more valuable trophies.

Many and frequent are the complaints publicly aired about the administration of justice in the Mixed Court. We do not wish to interfere with what is considered by the Chinese Magistrate as suitable for the Chinese, although much could be said but not written about the strange punishments awarded which are not always carried out. However, Europeans are quite within their right to try to secure better arrangements for the conduct of cases heard at the Mixed Court in which they are interested. To a business man time is generally assumed to be valuable, and under no circumstances is it pleasant to remain long in the fetid atmosphere of the crowded Court. Therefore, it is reasonable to expect that after a prisoner has admitted his guilt, witnesses are examined and every particular threshed out as if it was still necessary to ascertain whether the prisoner had committed the crime which he himself has owned up to.

Shanghai is so shipping to its very inroads that now Tientsin is open again, tremendous activity reigns and the various wharves are hard put to in order to accommodate the many boats going North, but at present there is a something essentially as to when they will arrive at their destination. It is a first lot which set out to do business like a man were held up outside for three days, and they are thinking themselves lucky that they did not make acquaintance with the mines that are floating about at their own sweet will, forming a considerable menace to coasting vessels. I suppose no one is to blame and it is one of the after-effects of a war which has spelled such terrible devastation and in which the most

powerful countries or individuals are engaged, and it is not their own desire. But, after all, this is a war at its last gasp, and even this little incident points to that happy day. Major-General Sir Ian Hamilton, sent out by the British authorities to report on the conduct of the Japanese military operations, was in Shanghai last week on his way home, sailing by the "Princess Alice," and why should he think that now was a fitting time for his return? Doubtless he will be a welcome sight, every such soldier and an Englishman—or rather a Scotchman—man. What a pleasure for the object of affection is such a man. One of the greatest of our South African heroes, the noblest of our war-pans, and it is only the steady eye and frank face that give an index to his true character.

A darkness as of night reigned over Shanghai each of the consecutive twenty-four hours, and without its sunny brightness or laughter-loving people we are in a Venice of canals and lakes ponds and good looks what other wet troubles. The top of native gayer wharves above the surface of water-covered fields, and ladies who cannot gather together for tea and scandal, stay at home, drink the tea and think the scandal. It has had a most depressing effect on trade. Just as business was starting again with Tientsin, we are visited by this deluge and the coolies resolutely refuse to work. I suppose the poor wretches cannot be blamed, but I do pity the managers of the various wharves. To them comes the agents of shipping firms and they are told that business must be cleared, and because it is impossible, they are told that their wrath on the wrong men. The rich, the coolies are an aggravation of the effect of the rain. They sink away out of sight and nothing but a good luck charm to determined politicians will induce them to take you to your destination. I do not know how Hongkong and Singapore fare in this respect. But I will leave off grumbling, because my petty miseries sink into insignificance compared with those of the unfortunate sick and wounded of East Africa, who have been landed here for thousands strong, on board the "Munich." Those quite unable to walk were lifted out of the hold of the ship by means of a crane and then taken on a wheelbarrow to a terrace of houses in Hongkong. The houses themselves are finely built and the authorities were able to rent them as their erection turned out a bad speculation. They have a dismal outlook on to a coal yard, and since their completion not one has been occupied. But the comforts provided for the poor souls will not seem extravagant and nothing more than good barracks have been placed inside the houses for their use.

## SPORTING.

## Football Shield Semi-Final.

"GLORY" & ROYAL ENGINEERS. The semi-final in the Hongkong Football Challenge Shield Competition between H.M.S. "Glory" and the Royal Engineers was played at Happy Valley yesterday, despite the extremely unfavourable condition of the weather. As was expected, the ground was in a very bad state, being under water in places and very slippery. The Naval team were favourites, but, although they won by one goal to nil, they did not fulfil expectations, the Royal Engineers putting up an excellent game against them. In fact, play was so close a nature that a draw would have better indicated the strength of the teams.

In the opening stages of the game the Royal Engineers were continually on the attack and some fast straight shots were sent in, but the "Glory" goalkeeper, Osborne, cleared each time. In defence the "Glory" men seemed under a spell, excepting the goal-keeper, but after a few minutes they were back to their normal level. The players found it difficult to control the oval, owing to the wet, and as it had hard work to retain their footing on the treacherous ground. With the ball at the feet of the "Glory" men went toward the Engineers' goal, but they were sent back again. The attack was resumed, and after some loose play Bell shot at goal. The Royal Engineers' goalkeeper caught the ball, but it slipped through his hands into the net, and the first and only goal of the match was scored. The goal against them infused fresh spirit into the Engineers and they charged for the "Glory" net.

The centre-forward, Healdy, threatened the goal and Osborne rushed out to save. The players collided and the ball went into the goal, but it was in the collision and was taken off. He subsequently recovered and returned to the field. At half-time the "Glory" men were in favour of the Royal Engineers. In the second half the play was of a varied nature, and the "Glory" men were again on the attack, but the Engineers held the better of matters, but in the latter stages the Royal Engineers were continually pressing, without being able to pierce through the impenetrable defence of the Naval men. The game was a hard fought one, vigorous and full of spirit, and the Royal Engineers were not least proud to be put down to misfortune.

The semi-final between H. M. S. "Glory" and the Royal West Kents was still to be played, after which H. M. S. "Glory" will play the winners for the final. The "Albion" team have every prospect of beating the Royal West Kents, and will probably fight out the final with H. M. S. "Glory."

Jewish Emigration. Lord Rothschild, to encourage the emigration of East End Jews, is negotiating for the establishment of colonies in Manitoba and the North-West Territories of Canada, and offering free grants of land, which will become the settler's property in three years if properly cultivated.

A TIMELY SUGGESTION.—This is the season of the year when the prudent and careful housewife replenishes her supply of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is certain to be needed before the winter is over, and results are much more prompt and satisfactory when it is kept at hand and given as soon as the cold is suspected, and before it has become settled in the system. In almost every instance a severe cold may be warded off by taking this remedy freely as soon as the first indication of the cold appears. There is no danger in giving it to children for it contains no harmful substances. It is pleasant to take, both adults and children like it. Buy it and you will get the best. It always cures. Sold by All Dealers. WATKINS & CO., Ltd., General Agents.

## THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

The following is the report of the board of directors of the Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited, to be presented at the ordinary meeting of shareholders, to be held at the Company's Hotel, at 12.30 p.m., on Tuesday, the 28th March, 1905.

Gentlemen, in accordance with Section 56 of the Articles of Association, the Directors now beg to submit their Report for the half-year ended 31st December, 1904.

The Profit on Working Account amounted to \$29,332.49, compared with \$28,424.49 for the corresponding period of 1903, showing an increase of \$907.99. The Profit and Loss Account, including the sum of \$11,668.85 brought forward from 31st June, 1904, shows a credit balance of \$38,978.68 which the Directors recommend should be appropriated as follows:—To day dividend of ten per cent. for the half-year \$20,000.00; To write off from value of Furniture and Fixtures \$12,032.92; To transfer to Repairs and Renewals Account \$10,000.00; To write off from value of Steam Launch \$2,000.00. To write off from value of Electric Plant \$1,222.74. To carry forward to new Account \$3,544.92; Total \$38,978.68.

Directors.—Mr. E. Osborne retired by rotation; but offered himself for re-election. Mr. R. C. Wilcox has been granted twelve months' leave of absence. The accounts have been audited by Messrs H. U. Jeffries and A. R. Lowe, C.A., who offer themselves for re-election.

W. HUTTON POTTS, Chairman.

## THE DUCHESSE OF DANTZIC.

The Dallas-Bandmann Opera Company made their first appearance here in drama last evening, when they produced, for the first time in Hongkong, "The Duchesse of Dantzig," a play which has attained great popularity at the Gaiety Theatre, London. From comic opera to drama is rather a far cry, but the company acquitted themselves equally as well in the latter as in the former, and the performance was entirely successful. Owing to the rain the audience was not as large as might have been expected but what it lacked in numbers was made up for in enthusiasm.

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The Dock Company will be busy for some weeks with a number of men-of-war from Manila. In addition to the battleships "Wabunan" and "Dragon," a transport and five torpedo boats have come over from Manila for attention. They will go into dock in turn, and the repairs upon them are likely to take some time.

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The officer in command of the Japanese war-ship which captured the German steamer "Romulus" reports as follows:—At daylight on February 28th two steamers were sighted off the eastern point of the Taganan Straits, proceeding westwards. Upon examination one of them was found to be the German steamer "Romulus," bound for Vladivostok with 3,500 tons of Welsh coal. She was seized and sent on to Yokosuka in charge of three officers and 24 men. She had received damage to her bottom from floating ice when passing the Utsunubo Channel and was making water at the rate of about 20 tons per hour. The steamer proceeded on her course for Yokosuka with the pumps at work. She was fitted with an automatic pump. But the vessel became unmanageable, and her crew taken on board the war ship and sent to Yokosuka. The extent of the damage to the steamer has not been ascertained as yet.

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